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ALSO FOR AF/EX PASS CUTLER

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SUBJECT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

1.FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO ASSIST YOU WITH
YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH FBO.

2. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED CARPETS ORDERED BY FBO AND P.OXX.S
NO. 4508-562007 AND 009. P.O. 00XX7 IS ONE PIECE 12 X
102 FT TO BE CUT AT POST FOR WALL-TO-WALL INSTALLATION FOR THE
TWO LIVING ROOMS AND SMALL HALL AT FOOT OF STAIRS WITH ENOUGH
LEFT OVER FOR A STAIR RUNNER. P.O. MENTIONS BINDING FOR
501 RUNNER MAY BE ADDED TO INVOICE. EMBASSY UNABLE IDENTIFY
501 RUNNER. NO CARPET PADDING WAS INCLUDED AND DO NOT
RECOMMEND WALL-TO-WALL INSTALLATION OVER FLOOR TILES WITHOUT
PADDING. NOTE: CAN LAY CARPET WITHOUT PADDING OR DELAY
UNTIL PADDING TO BE PROMPTLY ORDERED BY FBO CAN BE RECEIVED.
WILL DO ACCORDING TO CUTLER'S WISHES, PLEASE ADVISE.

3. ASSUME P.O. 007 IS 12 FT X 34 FT CARPET FOR RECEPTION
HALL WHICH IS 25 FT 8 IN X 18 FT 8-1/2 IN. EMBASSY DOES NOT
SEE HOW THIS CARPET CAN BE MADE TO FIT FOR WALL-TO-WALL
INSTALLATION.X ALSO DOES NOT HAVE CARPET PAD.

4. A KINGX-SIZE BED WAS ORDERED AND IN WAREHOUSE; HOWEVERX
NO HEADBOARD WAS SENT. SHEETS AND BEDDING ARE NOT AT POST.
IF CUTLER WISHES UTILIZE THIS BED SUGGEST THESE FACTS
BE NOTED. A QUEEN-SIZE BED IS PRESENTLY INSTALLED IN THE
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MASTER BEDROOM. TWIN BEDS ARE AVAILABLE. ADVISE PREFERENCE.

5. EIGHTEEN DINING ROOM CHAIRS NEED TO BE RECOVERED
SUGGEST FABRIC BE CHOSEN AT WASHINGTON AND AIR FREIGHTED.
PRESENT FABRIC IS SMALL GOLD STRIPES OF VARIOUS SHADES.
CARPET IS LIGHT GREEN AND DRAPES ARE WHITE WITH GOLD (OR
MUSTARD) PRINT; CHANTERELLE PATTERN 8480.

6. THREE BEDROOMS NEED COMPLETE REFURNISHING, FURNITURE,
CARPETS AND DRAPES. THE MASTER BEDROOM IS ADEQUATE AND
FURNITURE IS ORDERED AND PARTIALLY SHIPPED FOR THE FAMILY
SITTINGROOM/GUEST BEDROOM. FBO TO DECIDE.

7. EMBASSY FEELS THAT THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT TABLE LAMPS ON
HAND OR ON ORDER. SUGGEST FOUR MORE BE PROCURED.

8. PATIO FURNITURE FOR POOL AREA HAS DETERIORATED ALMOST
BEYOND REPAIR. SUGGEST 9 FOLDING CHAIRS; 8 FOLDING CHAISE
LOUNGE. AND 4 TABLE UMBRELLAS TO BRING INVENTORY BACK TO
NORMAL.

9. NEED 24 ROYAL BLUE LUNCHEON NAPKINS TO MATCH FLORAL
PLACE MATS USED FOR INFORMAL TERRACE LUNCHEONS.

10. EMBASSY STILL HAVING PROBLEMS WITH ROOF LEAKS BUT IS
COPING AS THEY HAPPEN HOWEVER, EVENTUALLY SOMETHING MORE
WILL HAVE TO BE DONE. THERE IS EVIDENCE OF DRYROT IN THE
RAFTERS UY
PCTIMADV
TGMENDED THAT THE ENTIRE ROOF BE REPLACED. A TWO-YEAR
OLD ESTIMATE IS APPROXIMATELY \$80,000# AND WILL BE EVEN HIGHER
AT TODAY'S PRICES. BEFORE AN EXPENDITURE OF THIS NATURE IS
CONTEMPLATED,XXXXX EMBASSY SUGGEST THAT PERHAPS AN FBO
ENGINEER WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN INSPECTION AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE
AND GUIDANCE TO THE POST.
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